

Railroad Hand Signals Chart EHSS-Phos Program – Railroads, Appendix E

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MANNER OF USING	INDICATION	
Swung across the track	STOP	
Held horizontally at arm's length when train is moving	REDUCE SPEED	
Raised and lowered vertically	PROCEED	
Swung vertically in a circle	BACK	

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MANNER OF USING	INDICATION	
Swung horizontally above the head when the train is standing	APPLY AIR BRAKES	
Held at arm's length above the head when the train is standing	RELEASE AIR BRAKES	
Any objects waved violently by anyone on or near the track	STOP	